CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (NPDES NO. CA CA0079154)

For

CITY OF TRACY TRACY WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The City of Tracy owns and operates the Tracy Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility) that provides sewerage service for the City of Tracy, serving a population of approximately 85,000. The Facility is currently authorized to discharge up to 10.8 million gallons per day (MGD) of tertiary-treated municipal wastewater to Old River, within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The City of Tracy is currently constructing upgrades and expanding the Facility to provide tertiary treatment for up to 16 MGD. The United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) have classified this discharge a major discharge.

Discharges from the Facility are currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2007-0036-01, adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 4 May 2007 and amended on 3 February 2011, allowing a discharge of up to 16 MGD of tertiary treated wastewater to Old River. The proposed NPDES permit renewal includes new effluent limitations for methylmercury, chlorpyrifos, and diazinon. The proposed NPDES permit renewal does not allow for an increase in the discharge from the current permit.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE:

5/6/7 December 2012

TIME:

8:30 a.m.

PLACE:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

City of Tracy representatives

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **26 October 2012**. The request must

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explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

The proposed Order was issued on 24 September 2012. Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **26 October 2012**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m.** on **26 October 2012** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Kari Holmes at (916) 464-4843 or kholmes@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

KENNETH D. LANDAU, Assistant Executive Office